CRADLE OF CHRIST.

SHALLOWS AND SUNSHINE ON THAT LOWLY BED.

of birth. Bethlehem was ap obscure Rev. Dr. Talmage, In His Christmas Sermon. Tells the Story of the Ingeneral and king he gave it no significarnation in n New Way-Practical Uses of the Festival.

[Copyright, Louis Klopsch, 1899.] WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-The story of the incarnation is here told by Dr. Talmage in a new way, and practical use is made of these days of festivity; text, then existing, and so was called Beth-Matthew i, 17, "So all the generations from Abraham to David are 14 generations, and from David until the carrying away into Babylon are 14 generations, and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ are 14 genera-

From what many consider the dullest and most unimportant chapter of the New Testament I take my text and find it full of practical, startling and eternal interest. This chapter is the front door of the New Testament. through which all the splendors of evangelism and apostolicity enter. Three time 14 generations are spoken of in my text-that is, 42 generationsreaching down to Christ. They all had relation to him, and at least 42 generations past affect us. If they were good, we feel the result of the goodness. If they were bad, we feel the result of their wickedness. If some were good and some were bad, it is an intermingling influence that puts its mighty hand upon us. And as we feel the effect of at least 42 generations past we will in turn influence at least 42 generations to come, if the world shall last a thousand years. So, you see, the cradle is more important than the grave. I propose to show you some of the shadows upon the Christic cradle of

Betblehem and then the sunshine that poured in upon the pillow of straw. Notice among the shadows on that infant's bed that there was here and there a specimen of dissolute ancestry. Beautiful Ruth his ancestress? Oh, yes! Devout Asa one of his forefathers? Oh, yes! Honest Joseph his father? Oh, yes! Holy Mary his mother? Oh, yes! But in that genealogical table were idolatrous and cruel Ammon and oppressive Rehoboam and some men whose abominations may not be particularized. So you see bad men may have good descendants. One of the most consecrated men I ever knew was the son of a man who lived and died a blasphemer. In the line of an oppressive Rehoboam comes a graclous and merciful and glorious Christ. Great encouragement for those who had in the 42 generations that preceded them, however close by or however far back, some instances of pernicious and baleful and corrupt ancestry.

Effects of Ancestry. To my amazement, I found in those parts of Australia to which many years land that the percentage of crime was and granddaughters of men and wom- their loyalty to the Roman emperor. en who were exiled from Great Britain those who do wrong to do right.

Since we are all more or less affected the fallen! Perhaps they had 42 genngo. Do not blame a man because he cannot swim up the rapids of Niagara. he cannot outride a Caribbean whirlwind. The father of this man who does centuries there may have started a bad propensity which he now feels. One of the Ten Commandments given on tion," but says nothing about the second generation, and if evil may skip one generation why not two and three and four and five generations, making a mighty leap and alighting very hard upon the head and the heart of some poor victim? Better be a little merciful toward the culprit, lest after awhile some hereditary evil born in the year 1600 or 1700, having skipped the centuries, alight just as heavy upon you.

Meanwhile keep carefully your family records. The old place for the famfly record in the Bible, between the Old and New Testaments, is a most apsuch impressive surroundings of chapter, bounded on one side by the prophe rtress and sanctity from its position. with the eternities. Do not simply say time and died at such a time," but if was the son of Adam, which was the

Shadows on the Cradle. Another shadow on the Christic craking. Herod was at that time ruler depravities. It was an unfavorable ment. So dark was the shadow dropflight. Deprayed habits of those in of sin in the air when the infant Christ

of camels and sheep and oxen challengand will not cease until it has destroyall the babes under 2 years of age, and seem to amount to nothing. They are sigh." When Eli Whitney was born at that wide slaughter will surely include the same recessess creatures about Westboro, that decided the wealth of that wide shaughter win surely include the death of the one child that most whom you are constantly anxious and all the cotton fields of the south. When the death of the one child that most threatens my dominion." Awful time wondering what is the matter now. Gutenberg was born at Metz, Germany, If he escape the knife of the assassin, tween Bethlehem of Judgea and Cairo, low in Bethlehem, was the fact that it Egypt, will secure his destruction. All was the starting place of the most wonthat decided that the lightnings of KEEP YOUR BLOOD CLEAN

the powers of earth and all the demons of hell bombarded that cradle

Another shadow upon that Christic

eradle was the obscurity of the place

o ask for a drink of water out of the old well to which he used to go in childhood-the village so small and mimportant that it had to be separated in mind from another Bethlehem lehem of Judan. There was a great capital of Jerusalem; there were the 15 beautiful cities on the beach of Galilee, any of them a good place to be born in; there were great towns famous at that time, but the nativity we today celebrate was in a village which Christ atimated had been called by some 'the least among the princes of Juda." Christ himself was to make the town famous for all time and all eternity. O men and women of Messianic op portunity, why do you not make the place of your nativity memorable for your philauthropies-by the churches you build, the free libraries you open, he colleges you endow? Go back to he village where you were born, as Jeorge Peabody went back to Danvers, Mass., and with your wealth bless the neighborhood where in childhood you played and near by where your father and mother sleep the last sleep. There eing generously remembered by prosus men during life or helped in their last will and testament, and there are a hundred neighborhoods waiting for such benediction from their prosperous sons. By some such charity invite the Bethlehem angels to come back gain and over the plain house of your nativity ring out the old authem of 'Good will to men." Christ, born in an obscure place, made it so widely known by his self sacrifices and divine charity hat all round the earth the village of Bethlehem has its name woven in gar-

uilt in houses of prayer. Sunshine Breaks Through. But it is time we see some of the sun hine breaking through the shadows on that cradle. For we must have jubilance dominate the Christmas festival. That was Walter Scott's coinion when "Marmion" he wrote:

A Christmas gambel oft would cheer A poor man's heart through half the year. It was while the peasant and his wife were on a visit for purposes of enollment that Jesus was born. The Bible translators got the wrong word when they said that Joseph and Mary had gone to Bethlehem to be "taxed." People went no farther then to get taxd than they do now. The effort of most people always has been to escape taxation. Besides that, these two humble folk had nothing to tax. 'The man's urban that protected his head from the sun was not worth taxing: the wonan's sandals which kept her feet ago felons were transported from Eng- from being cut by the limestone rock, of which Bethlehem is mostly made less than in those parts of Australia up, were not worth taxing. No; the originally settled by honest men and fact is that a proclamation had been good women. Some who are now on made by the emperor that all the peojudicial benches in Australia, and in ple between Great Britain and Parthia high governmental positions, and in and of those lands included should go learned and useful professions, and to some appointed place and give their leaders in social life, are the grandsons | names in, be registered and announce They had walked 80 miles over a to Australia for arson and theft and rough road to give their names and assault and fraud and murder. So you take the eath of allegiance. Would we see it is possible for the descendants of | walk 80 miles to announce our allegiance to our king, one Jesus? Cresar Augustus wanted to know by the rec-

by our ancestry, we ought to be patient ord on which that man and that wosheathe sword for the Roman eagle the wrong way. Elve hundred rem the wrong way. Five hundred years pended on to take care of the wounded tion through severest paralysis, and care for it afterward no one was to before they were born there may have been a parentage of iniquity augmented by a corrupt parentage 200 years of barn the kingdom of Christ we do not know have been depended on. There the Lord on the sly. They do not announce their allegiance to the king who, in the battles to come, will want wrong may have been all right and his all his troops. In all our churches the last illness become rubicund of there are so many half and half disciples, so many one-third espousers. They rather think the Bible is true, at any rate parts of it, and they hope that taken unto the warm bosom of a parevil may skip a generation when the the nations. They stay away from In that cradle within sound of bleatsomehow Christianity will disenthrall commandment speaks of visiting "the church on communion days and hope iniquity of the fathers upon the chil- when they have lived as long as they amid rough bantering of herdsmen and can in this world they can somehow sneak into heaven. Oh, give in your names! Be registered on the church record down here and in the Lamb's lage of Bethlehem! Take it all in-Book of Life up there. Let all the the wintry skies lowering, the flocks world know where you stand, if you shivering in the chill air, Mary the pale

have to go as far as Joseph and Mary mother, and Jesus the child. walked, if you have to go 80 miles before you find just the right form of worship and just the right creed. Divine Protection.

Another gleam of sunshine striking times I realize that there are many crathrough the shadows above that Christie eradie was the fact of a special divine protection. Herod was determinpropriate place. That record, put in ed upon the child's destruction. The monster put all his wits together in stratagem for the stopping of that cles of Malachi and on the other side young life just started. He dramatized dren and will not be comforted beby the gospel of Matthew, will receive plety; he suddenly got religious; he would leave his palace and take char- the shadows break gleams of sunshine That record is appropriately bound up lot and have steeds whipped up, so as the clouds of the Christic cradle that he could kneel at that cradle. We were cleft by glorious light. Escapedin your family record, "Born at such a have to smile at what the imperial villain said when he ordered, "Go and there has been among your ancestors search diligently for the young child, some man or woman especially conse- and when ye have found him bring me crated and useful make a note of it for word, that I may go and worship him the encouragement of the following also." Dore's picture of the "Massacre generations. Two family records of of the Innocents" at Herod's command the Bible-the one in Matthew reach- - a picture full of children hurled over ing from Abraham to Christ and the walls and dashed against streets and one in Luke beginning with Joseph and writhing under assassin's foot-gives reaching back to the garden of Eden- us a little impression of the manner in with the sublime statement "which Which Herod would have treated the real child if he could once have got his son of God." I charge you to this duty hand on it. But Herod, could not find tivities that resound with a laughter of keeping the family record by the 42 that cradle. All the detectives he sent generations which are past and the 42 out failed in the search. Yet it had and a glory "that eye hath not seen generations which are to come. It is been pointed out by flashlight from the a good thing—the new habit abroad of midnight heavens. All the neighbor- them a merry Christmas, for the merhood knew about it. The angelic chorus in the cloud had called musical at- from temples that are always open, tention to it. No sentinel guarded it amid pleasures that never die. Oh, it dle was that it stood under a deprayed with drawn sword, passing up and is not a dull heaven, but a lively heavdown by the pillow of that Bethlehem en, for there are so many children and the complete impersonation of all caravansary. Why, then, was it that there! They throng the streets. They the cradle was not despoiled of its look out of the "House of Many Mantime for innocence to expect good treat- treasure? Because it was divinely pro- sions." They stand on the beach to see tected. These were wings hovering the ficets east anchor within the vale. ping on the cradle from that iniquitous that mortal eye could not see; there They crowd the gates with greetings throne that the peasant mother had to were armed immortals whose bran- when the old folks come in. They clap lift her babe out of it and make hasty dished sword mortal eye could not fol- their hands in an eternal gladness

authority are apt to be copied by sub-jects, and from the immorals of the supernaturals could hear. God had started through the cradle to save our are all gone? als of a nation. There was a malaria world, and nothing could step him. first breathed it. Thickest shawl could that unburt cradle except on the the- picture. Turner always put at least a not keep the babe warm when in that ory of a special, divine protection. And fleck of cloud on his canvas, and the of peace that Christ was born, but his sault them, and all their climbing to rious if after all this scene of earthly birth aroused an antagonism of which dangerous heights, and all their perilthe Bethlehem massacre was only a course experiments with explosives and their running against horses hoofs, an everlasting holiday? But meanof the earth opened against and daring of trolleys and carts fast while look out for the cradles. How that cradle! The influence that came driven, yet somehow get through, espewent forth from that black and bar- All your charges of "Don't do this" and Maccabeus" and "Esther" and "Israel

Gleams of Light. then the wild beast's paw or the ban-dit's clutch or the midnight chill be-some of the gloom of that Christic pil-the doom of human bondage. When

village. David, the shepherd boy, had been born there, but after he became have quoted and tried to expound! ance, I think never mentioning it but Great literary works have for the most part been the result of much elaboraon. Edmund Burke rewrote the conclusion of his speech against Warren Hastings 16 times. Lord Brougham rewrote his speech in behalf of Queen Caroline 20 times, but the sermon on the mount seemed extemporaneous Christ was eloquent without ever havng studied one of the laws of oratory. He was the greatest orator that ever lived. It was not an eloquence Demo Baptiste Massillon or like that which William Wirt, bimself a great orator. was overcome with in log cabin meetpreacher cried out in his sermon, "Soc ates died like a philosopher, but Jesus

Christ died like a God." Christ's oratory was unlike anything that went before or came after. Even the criticism of the world said, "Never Why, he took up a child out of the audience and set him on a table and by the embarrassed look of the child taught humility. He sent the prosecutors of a poor, sinful woman, blushing and confounded, out of the room are scores of such villages in America by one sentence of sarcasm. Notice his power of emphasis and enunciation urrection, by the peculiar way he pronounced the one word "Mary," his ed upon Peter." It was an omnipotent ands and chanted in "Te Deums" and veloped by open air speaking, was a and in spite of the fact that he had

> Christ, "Render to Cæsar the things came running out of the foc'sle with that are Caesar's and to God the things his eyes bulging, shouting: 'It's growthat are God's." make full inhalation, and the last case | go north."-New York Sun. cheek and robust of chest and bounding of foot, and the last pauper will get his palace, and the last sinner doning God! Where did all this start? nett. It was his custom to give a re ing sheep and bellowing cattle and niversary week. start for such great heights! O artists, turn your camera obscura on that vil-

An Eternal Jubilee.

So I have shown you the shadows and the sunshine of that Christic cradle of Bethlehem. In these Christmas dles under shadows. Oh, the story of empty cradles all up and down the earth, in cabins and palaces! There are standing in garrets or in storerooms cradles that will never rock cause they are not." But through all from the struggles through which we have all passed and must yet pass, those little ones took heaven at one bound. Instead of an earthly career it is a heavenly career, with capacities, with velocities, with opportunities be yond our comprehension. Instead of celebrating on earth the Saviour's birth they stand in the Saviour's presence. Instead of the holiday celebrations of the old homestead it is to them eternal jubilee at a table where the angels of nor ear heard." No use in wishing low; there were chariots of the Omnip- They dance in an eternal glee. See

You cannot reasonably account for must be a background to every good most cradles are likewise defended. clouds of earth will be the background Can you understand why so many chil- to bring out more mightily the bright dren, with all the epidemics that as- ness of heaven. And will it not be glo cially boys of high spirit and that are the next! When Wellington was born going to amount to much? I account at Mornington, England, that decided for their coming through all right, with Waterloo and saved Europe. When only a few wounds and bruises, by the Handel was born in Halle, Saxony, fact that they are divinely protected. that decided the oratorios of "Judas "Don't do that" and "Don't go there" In Egypt" and "Jephthah" and "Mesthat decided the libraries of all Christendom. When Clarkson was born in

Christ's life from mere worldly stand- ers or stretch a throbbing iron nerve points it was amazing beyond all ca- clear under the sea. When Washingpacity of pen or tongue or canyas to ton was born at Westmoreland. Va. express. Without taking a year's cur- that decided American independence. riculum in any college or even a day at | When Christ was born at Bethlehem. any school, yet saying things that the that decided the redemption of the mightiest intellects of subsequent days world. Oh. look out for the cradles! May a Bethlehem star of hope point down to each one of them and every hovering cound be filled with chanting

> personal adornment has changed and SURE CURE FOR BALDNESS.

Turn Whaler and Go Arcticward, Says a Man Who Knows. thenic or Ciceconic or like that of Jean | man with thin hair who fails to get a | velopment of man's ingenuity, and the whalers who got bald when they staid in the region immediately surrounding ing house of Virginia, when the blind at home for a year or two and got a the birthplace of man long, flowing pedition

north the land animals get shaggier. man spake like this man." Dramatic? It is a provision of nature against the ments of hides and loiz cloths which When the arctic winter ap- were at first typical of the inhabitants. proaches, the reindeer, the bears and when he revealed himself after his res- cles of the hair are dead, new hair al- average reasoning man that the matter ways comes even in northern regions. power of look shown by the way Peter, as baid as a billiard ball the follicles the great apostle, wilted under it. The are not dead, and there is hope for him. book says, "The Lord turned and look- "I remember a remarkable case when I was mate of the whaler Sea Foam in facial expression. He looked upon Pe- the latter part of the fifties. The boatter. Power of distinct utterance, so swain was a man named James that every one could hear. "He opened Rogers, but he was generally known his mouth, saying." No mumbling and as 'Baldy,' because he had not a sinindistinct utterance. He opened his gle hair on his scalp. He was a good nouth. His voice, which had been de- whaler and an all around good seaman,

resonant and sonorous voice, or he tried it for years with no result apwould not have taken the top of the parent to the eye he had a firm belief rocks of the Mount of Bentitudes for a in whale oil as a hair restorer. He pulpit, for that pulpit is so high, as I must have used gallons of it in his declare from observation, that no time. At the time I speak of we were speaker that I have ever known could in the neighborhood of Bering strait, have from that point made any audi- and it was melancholy to see us all ence hear one word of a sermon. His with thick, matted locks, including power of hyperbole: A camel trying to some who were bald when they came crowd its hump through the eye of a away, while poor 'Baldy' was as sewing woman's needle and all that smooth on the scalp as ever. Well, learned talk about a gate called the we killed the queerest looking speci-'needle's eye" only belittling the hy- men of a whale I ever saw, 'Baldy' perbole. Power of sarcasm: The hypo- throwing the first harpoon. Its tail crites styled by him "the whole who tapered off longer than that of any seed not a physician." His power of other whale we had ever met with be peroration: The crashing of the tim- fore, and the oil that came from it was pers of the poorly built house on the of a peculiar color and had a musky beach of the Mediterranean. Power to scent. 'Baldy,' as a matter of course take advantage of circumstances: plastered his scalp with the oil until When an auditor asked him whether it was running down his face and neck. they ought to pay taxes to Cæsar, One does not need to follow hygienic Christ practically said, "If any gentle- rules regarding cleanliness in those latman in this audience has in his pocket | itudes, where it is too cold for disease a Roman penny, I wish he would just germs. Within two days it grew much hand it up to me." And some one colder, and we were frozen in among handed him a penny, such as you can ice floes. I never felt such cold before now find in some of the museums, the or since, and nearly every one of the obverse of it bearing the face of Ti- crew was more or less frost bitten. berius, the emperor, and the reverse We used the ice saw industriously and the words "Pontifex Maximus," the in 48 hours more got clear of the ice other title of the emperor, and then and into smooth water and sailed came the overwhelming answer of southward. A week later 'Baldy'

in! It's growin! But we must not only look at him | "'What's growing? says I, thinking from a worldly standpoint. How be he was getting nutty. 'My ha-ha-hair,' smote whirlwinds into silence, and says he, waving his fur cap, which he made the waves of the sea lie down, had taken of, and pointing to his head. and opened doors of light into the mid- Sure enough, there was a growth of the hair had come to stay. Before the natural head covering, and if he didn't hew many can be depended on. There at noon it was as dark as 12 o'clock at say it was the extreme cold that did night, and starting an influence that the trick. After that I concluded that will go on until the last desert will no one could give me any points on grow roses and the last weak lung hair restorers. If you want thick hair,

> The Christian Register says: "A corespondent, apropos of our remark about eternal punishment, sends us the following reminiscences of Dr. Ganception to the visiting ministers in ar

"On one occasion Dr. Gannett sugcamel drivers. What a low place to gested an objection to any dogmatic affirmation of universal salvation. He said: 'Why, brethren, suppose I elect to sin; suppose I enjoy it; suppose I want just that sort of future and don't want any other? "Mr. Calthrop, being present, imme

diately exclaimed, 'But, Dr. Gannett, ou wouldn't be such a fool.' "But suppose I will be such a fool? "Then,' said Mr. Calthrop, 'God Allighty and I together say, "Dr. Gannett, you shall not be such a fool." And what God Almighty and I together say shall not be shall not be!"

Desecrating Graves. An English clergyman publishes the following notice in the parish paper: "The vicar earnestly requests the parishioners to put their family graves in order. He would also remind the men who smoke cigarettes and whistle tunes on the graves that the churchyard is not the parish dustbin. If, therefore, they are unable to get rid of the paper packets in which they purchase their pennyworth of 'fags' other than by de positing them in the churchyard, will hey be so very kind as to let him have them on Sunday mornings after service? He will also gladly receive any other litter, such as tin cans and paper bags, which have hitherto been so lavishly deposited upon 'God's acre.' "

The Wrong Sermon. The Derby and District Methodist says that R. W. Parks, M. P., recently attended the Anglican church in a certain continental capital, when the venerable clergyman who officiated read a sermon which, at any rate, prevented the congregation from going to sleep, for as his theme developed he scribed his hearers as criminals, the children of thieves, drunkards, etc. After awhile it dawned upon the preacher that he was reading the wrong discourse-he was a prison chaplain-so he brought it to an abrupt conclusion.

Miss Shipman-The failure of the Shamrock to win the America's cup must have been a heavy blow to Sir Thomas Lipton Mr. Newsalt-Well, didn't he pray for a heavy blow a whole week before the first race?-Jewelers' Weekly.

derful of all careers. Looking at beaven should become galloping court- WISDOM IN DRESSING WELL.

Fine Clothes, as Has Oft Been in the editorial columns of a daily newspaper, the question of dress as a commercial factor ranks as one extremely interesting and actually impor-It is of great interest to study the

rapidity and varied manners in which

advanced with time. In the early dawn of the world we are told that an un couth garment of fig leaves was co "Talk of hair restorers," said the sidered sufficient by our common for aptain of a sound steamboat, who was bears wherewith to hide their nakeda whaler once, "none of them is in it | ness. With the necessity of striving with the air of the arctic regions. A arduously for his living came the de new crop if he goes within the arctic line of general improvement included circle is a hopeless case. I have seen dress in its scope. For many centuries new crop of hair every time they went garments were in use, to be changed toward the north pole on a whaling ex- later on by the enterprising Romans to the graceful tunic, toga and peplus, "How do I account for it? Ask me These changes in the course of time something harder. The farther you go penetrated into the northern countries and gradually displaced the rough gar-

So has the mode of dress changed other animals take on a thicker coat of and improved itself with the passage hair or fur. Similarly the hair on the of time, and by the aid of that same human head thickens when you go far potent factor its importance has innorth, especially on the approach of creased and perhaps has not yet as winter. It is a fact. Now, I don't sumed its destined proportions. There want you to think that, once the folli- can be no doubt in the mind of the of dress does exert a vital influence on Sometimes when a man is apparently the success or failure of the man or woman of today. A well and neatly attired man everywhere has the ad vantage of one who takes no pains with his apparel and whose clothes might be shed annually like the skin of the snake if it were not for the inviolable customs of the age. It is a fact, perhaps lamentable, but nevertheless patent, that a business man prefers dealing with another who is attractively dressed, whose face is clean shaved and who is in the habit of wearing clean collars, to his brother with whom dress is less than a sec ondary consideration and who contents himself with the reflection that "hand-

some is as handsome does." There are a great many men who de cry this tendency to personal adornment in others and whose lips take a scornful curve when they refer to the 'dude" or his equally frivolous sister. Is it a crime or a fault to accentuate personal beauty or neutralize the effect of natural homeliness by tastiness of apparel? Is there any reason to censure the man who wears lighter colored or some more fashionably shaped garments than ours because we prefer for ourselves the more somber and conventional garments? To be sure, there is a distinction between the man who dresses for love of dress and the one who does so from principle or from ousiness reasons, but it is a distinction with which the average critic of the well dressed man seldom bothers himself. We are always taught to look at the brightest side of life. Then why ridicule those little niceties of dress which certainly please the eye and which much more certainly give a man a feeling of self possession and satisfaction, which, too, is far removed from the ever to be condemned fault of concelt or dandyism?

At any rate, the man who is not too the manner in which he appears before the world can rest convinced that his little quality is good policy. It is, in made the scabs of incurable leprosy voyage was over he had a fairly thick daily and hourly .- Atlanta Constitution.

The manager of a theater in Portland. Or., has started a novel scheme to make cure that each patron who pays for a seat shall see as much of the show as he is entitled to. After the orchestra has finished the overture a sign rises to the view of the andience from the floor of the stage. It shows these magi-

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